

Memo from

To:

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Sen. Javits

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Re US forces in Europe

Dear Jack--

I was most interested to see these remarks about the function of our forces -- and I happen to agree strongly with them, though we must certainly reappraise the argument from time to time.

May I have a copy of your full text?

I do not recall ever having seen this point being made by others, and if you could point me to any record thereof, I would appreciate it.

**Javits Says U.S. Presence
In Europe Reassures Soviet**

Special to The New York Times

BONN, West Germany, Jan. 5—An undiminished United States military presence in Europe lends stability to a wide area around the Continent, pleasing even the Soviet Union and tempering its policies, Senator Jacob K. Javits said today.

Speaking at a news conference at the American Embassy here, the New York Republican contended that a substantial cut in the 310,000-man American force in Europe and the Mediterranean would seriously upset the balance of power on the Continent.

"The Soviet Union has almost a paranoic fear of Germany, and the presence of United States troops in Europe tends, notwithstanding what they may say, to give them a sense of reassurance that they will not have to face a super-nationalistic Germany at any time and therefore that they not have to pursue as 'give a policy toward' as they would 'they have to' Javits said.
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